

March 9, 2004

Federal Aviation Administration
Office of Chief Counsel
Attn: Rules Docket, ACG-10
Exemptions and Approvals
800 Independence Avenue, SW.
Washington, D.C. 20591

RE: Oxygen for Medical Patients (Exemption No. 6523)

Peninsula Airways, Inc. d/b/a PenAir respectfully requests the Department of Transportation (DOT) for a two-year extension of Exemption No. 6523, allowing PenAir to carry and operate oxygen storage and dispensing equipment for medical use by passengers requiring emergency or continuing medical attention when the equipment is furnished and maintained by the hospital that is treating the passengers.

Our current extension expires on October 31, 2004. The conditions that existed when this exemption was initially granted have not changed. The exemption is still in the public interest and does not reduce the level of safety required by the Federal Aviation regulations.

PenAir has transported oxygen storage and dispensing equipment under this exemption without incident during this period and would like to be granted an extension with the same conditions and limitations.

I look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions, please call me at (907) 243-2485.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Harding", is positioned above the printed name.

Richard E. Harding
Senior Vice President